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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Frank E. Joutras, et al.) Patent Application
Serial No: 09/379,851) Group Art Unit: 3764
Filed : August 24, 1999) Examiner: D. Pothier
For : EXERCISE APPARATUS) Date: January 3, 2001
AND TECHNIQUE)

AMENDMENT

Box Fee Amendment
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed October 11, 2000, in the above-identified case, please amend this application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, change, "3" to - -2- -.

Claim 3, line 2, change, "member" to - - members- -.

Claim 4, line 1, change "3" to - -2- -.

Rewrite claim 2 as follows:

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2. (Amended) Orthotic apparatus according to claim 1 in which said friction means includes first and second friction members and [a] the means for adjusting includes control means having a program; said program controlling pressure between said first and second friction members.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.

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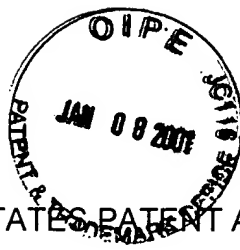
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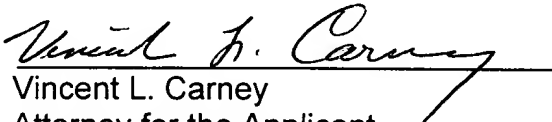


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